UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION **TRANSMITTAL**

Attorney Docket No.: 2004_0100A

First Named Inventor: Tomonori KATAOKA et al.

Title: IMAGE-PROCESSING METHOD AND IMAGE PROCESSOR

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. [X] Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)

[] Small Entity Status is hereby asserted.

3. [X] Specification

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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

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4. [X] Drawing(s) (35 USC 113)

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- 5. [X] Oath or Declaration
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 - [] Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

i. [] DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. [] Application Data Sheet (see 37 CFR 1.76)

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7. [] CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or computer program (Appendix)

8. [] Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission

a. [] Computer Readable Form

(if applicable, all necessary)

- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. [] CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. [] Paper
- c. [] The paper and computer readable copies are identical

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 9. [] Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
 - [] Power of Attorney
- [] English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 12. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- [] Copies of IDS Citations [] Preliminary Amendment 13.
- 14. [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- 15. [X] Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
- 16. [] Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- 17. [X] Other 1. Cover Letter for Application Filed Without Executed Declaration
 - 2. Claim of Priority Under 35 USC 119

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below, and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet .

[] Continuation

[] Divisional

[] Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.

Prior Application Information: Examiner

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For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. The incorporation <u>can only</u> be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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It is respectfully requested that this application be assigned a serial number and awarded a filing date pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53.

A duly executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63 will be submitted after notification by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 CFR 1.52(d).

A non-executed copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, containing the inventorship information, is attached. It is respectfully requested that all communications be directed to the firm indicated on the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, namely:

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The required U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Filing Fee is submitted herewith.

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